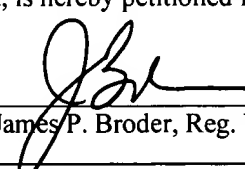
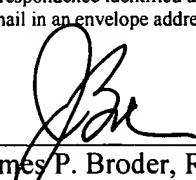




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Invention: A DUAL STAGE, HEAD STACK ASSEMBLY FOR A DISK DRIVE						
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENT AND TRADEMARKS:</b> Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.						
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	58	MINUS	21	37	\$18	\$666
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	MINUS	4	2	\$84	\$168
<p>___ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of _____ to and through _____, comprising a/n extension of the shortened statutory period of:</p> <p>___ one month (\$110)      ___ three months (\$920) ___ two months (\$400)      ___ four months (\$1,140)</p>						
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>						<b>\$834</b>
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Supplemental Information Disclosure Form 1449A (modified), Transmittal, Certification as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e), and the references are enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$834.00 is enclosed.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1141, pertaining to 1) any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims; 2) any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional extension of time required for the timely submission of this paper, the fees for which have not been previously paid, is hereby petitioned for and requested.</p>						
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Sir:

This amendment and response is to the Office Action dated October 3, 2002 having a three month deadline for response that expires on January 3, 2003. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as provided below. This amendment and response is timely filed within the three-month deadline for response.

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